

It is completely unconscionable that Sinclair Broadcasting is airing an anti-Kerry documentary in a clear attempt to sway the election. This is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation and deregulation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. What's good for the bottom line then goes into the campaign coffers of elected officials, who offer thanks by deregulating this industry which should provide information, not propaganda.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.